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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I love using a local, small business for my internet provider. Sonic has been great over the years.

I love that their call center/tech help is nearby in Santa Rosa (as opposed to some offshore call center that comcast, ATT, etc use), I love that they're creating jobs in the Sonoma County community that I grew up in. It's rare for a small company to be able provide American jobs and simultaneously compete with global corporations, but Sonic does it.

They're currently installing their fiber network in my neighborhood, and I couldn't be happier about it. I have DSL right now, but am looking forward to the upgrade.

In short, I'm quite happy with Sonic, so you can imagine my surprise and outrage when I heard ATT/US telecom was attempting to pass legislation to help monopolies and large corporations while adding costs for consumers and smaller ISPs.

Please stop this, and please help save competitive telecom!

Much appreciated.

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